



PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application No.: 10/716,208

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Applicant: Theresa N. Powless

Group Art Unit: 3643

Examiner: Son T. Nguyen

Title: RETAINER FOR PREVENTING TIPPING
OF FLOWER POT

Attorney Docket: 1791-000001

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT AND PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed November 5, 2004, please amend the application as follows and consider the remarks set forth below.

Applicant hereby petitions under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) for an extension of time in which to respond to the outstanding Office Action and includes a fee as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a) with this response for such extension of time.

Prior to examination of the present application, please consider the following

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.